



NEWS RELEASE

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FIVE CHARGED WITH RECKLESS HANDLING OF A FIREARM

WARRENTON – Sheriff's deputies charged five adult males with a class 1 misdemeanor on December 28 after responding to a call in the 7300 block of Tucan Court in Brookside at 3:07 p.m. Saturday afternoon. The caller reported he heard a noise in his living room and after further inspection discovered a stray bullet had pierced a window and struck a Christmas tree.

Deputies retrieved what appeared to be a .223 caliber bullet from inside the residence. The investigation lead to a residence in the 7700 block of Rogues Road. At that location, deputies discovered five adults who had been shooting a .223, AR-15 style rifle. The rifle and magazine were located during the investigation.

After conducting an investigation warrants were obtained for Robert Lee Barr, 19, of Warrenton; Robert Lee Culler III, 19, of Warrenton; Travis Joseph Brown, 19, of Nokesville; Isaac Justin Brooks, 19, of The Plains and Trevor Joseph Dezutti, 20, of Sanford, North Carolina.

The Sheriff's Office responded to 167 calls for service this year involving the suspicious discharge of firearms. While each of these calls for service is different in the details, this incident is a reminder of practicing safe recreational use of firearms. Know the local ordinances, applicable laws and know your backstop and beyond. The safety of everyone is paramount.

Anyone with a similar incident or information about this incident is encouraged to contact the Sheriff's Office at 540-347-3300.

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